REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE

EMPLOYMENT GROWTH

The regional forecast generated by Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments has recently been revised. The latest figures project that Loudoun County will become the third largest employment center in the region by 2010. Loudoun County is also projected to lead all localities in employment growth for each of the decades between 2000 and 2030.

Table I-8.
Employment Projections
Northern Virginia Jurisdictions*

Jurisdiction	Employment (in thousands)					Percent Change				Percent of Region				
	1990	2000	2010	2020	2030	1990-2000	2000-10	2010-20	2020-30	1990	2000	2010	2020	2030
Alexandria City	93.2	91.3	114.6	129.8	141.0	-2.0%	25.5%	13.3%	8.6%	10.9%	8.5%	8.4%	8.3%	8.1%
Arlington County	183.1	188.4	217.8	254.4	275.8	2.9%	15.6%	16.8%	8.4%	21.4%	17.5%	16.0%	16.2%	15.8%
Fairfax City	26.9	30.8	31.5	31.4	31.4	14.5%	2.3%	-0.3%	0.0%	3.1%	2.9%	2.3%	2.0%	1.8%
Fairfax County	403.7	532.8	653.2	708.5	758.9	32.0%	22.6%	8.5%	7.1%	47.2%	49.4%	48.1%	45.2%	43.5%
Falls Church City	9.2	9.4	10.0	10.5	10.7	2.2%	6.4%	5.0%	1.9%	1.1%	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%
Loudoun County	39.3	87.0	141.6	199.9	258.3	121.4%	62.8%	41.2%	29.2%	4.6%	8.1%	10.4%	12.8%	14.8%
Manassas/Manassas Park Cities	19.5	22.6	27.7	29.2	29.4	15.9%	22.6%	5.4%	0.7%	2.3%	2.1%	2.0%	1.9%	1.7%
Prince William County	68.8	91.6	122.4	153.6	180.0	33.1%	33.6%	25.5%	17.2%	8.0%	8.5%	9.0%	9.8%	10.3%
Stafford County	11.0	25.3	38.4	49.2	59.7	130.0%	51.8%	28.1%	21.3%	1.3%	2.3%	2.8%	3.1%	3.4%
Total	854.7	1,079.2	1,357.2	1,566.5	1,745.2	26.3%	25.8%	15.4%	11.4%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Source: Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, Round 6.4 Cooperative Intermediate Forecast.

^{*} MWCOG member jurisdictions